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DIRECT COPPER BONDING

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RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 10, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 14-16 and 31 are pending in the application. Claims 5-13 and 17-30 have been withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1-4, 14-16 and 31 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over what has been described as "Applicant's admitted prior art" and Fan et al., "Copper Wafer Bonding",